



MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN TASK FORCE

MEETING NOTES

APRIL 13, 2004

4:00 P.M.

ROOM 113

Task Force Members Present	Nye Bond, Susan Dunn, Duane Eitel, Margaret Hall, Elaine Hammer, Rick Krueger, Marian Malone, Bill McCoy, Eric Miller, Oscar Pohirieth, Patte Newman, Gordon Scholz, Terry Werner. (Kit Boesch, Greg MacLean, Tad McDowell absent)
Resource Panel Members Present	Mike Brienzo, Terry Genrich, Brian Mathers, Larry Worth, Jerry Wray
Others Present	Steve Burnham, Alvin Lugn, Brian Praeuner, Mike Schaefer, Alan Wickman, Kent Morgan, David Cary, Michele Abendroth

Agenda Topics

1. Call Meeting to Order

Mr. Morgan called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and welcomed those present.

2. Public Comment Period (10 min. maximum)

Alan Wickman reiterated his belief that the City should employ a Pedestrian and Bicycle Coordinator and emphasized the importance of having a process to tap into the knowledge base of the bicycling community.

3. Task Force Member Final Recommendation Preferences

Mr. Morgan asked each of the Task Force members to state one recommendation they would like to have included in the final report.

Mr. Scholz stated that in order to keep the momentum going, he believes there is a need for a Pedestrian and Bicycle Coordinator and/or an advisory group.

Mr. Eitel noted that he feels it is important to restrict low density periphery development around the City.

Mr. Pohirieth believes that we should concentrate efforts on bettering the quality of the

transportation services in the under-served areas. As an example, perhaps a shuttle service could be created on 27th Street that would go to Lincoln East, Park Middle School and Superior Street.

Mr. Werner believes it is important to put together a plan and implement that plan. To accomplish this, we may need to have a community advocate position.

Ms. Malone wants to see some bus service in every part of town. She believes we need to maintain what we have and not cut anything in the hopes that some day the bus service will be better.

Mr. Miller stated that his highest priority is constructing a multi-modal transportation center in downtown.

Ms. Dunn noted that anything that we put forth, someone has to make sure everything is integrated, so she would support a coordinator.

Ms. Hall stated that she believes it is important to enhance the Handi-Van service and to farm out some of the Handi-Van services to the cab companies and other transportation companies.

Mr. Bond feels that it is important to have a vision statement on what we would hope transportation would look like and that it would attract people to Lincoln. Related to that is the education piece and promoting that vision.

Mr. Krueger noted that he would like to see an enterprise fund for the trails system. He suggested appropriating keno funds, which appear to be for discretionary use, for trails.

Ms. Hammer feels that we need to support a well-maintained bicycle transportation system for both commuting and physical fitness. The University needs to be a big player in this.

Mr. McCoy stated that with respect to land development, we need to emphasize interconnected street concepts in housing developments.

Ms. Newman stated that we need a realistic, efficient system that starts with the core area. In order to achieve that, we need a coordinator, who is a planner and can address a wide range of issues

Mr. Werner responded to Mr. Krueger's comment by noting that keno funds are designated to parks, social services, and libraries.

4. Bicycle Lane Report

Mr. Cary began his PowerPoint presentation by addressing bicycle lanes. The purpose of the report on *Bicycle Lanes* was to pull together the basic information on what bicycle lanes are. Another purpose was to identify that if we have bicycle lanes, we need to do a formal implementation program. A sub-committee made up of several organizations was formed to look at this issue.